In the Court of Appeals of the State of Alaska

Airjetis Espinal, a/k/a Airjelis Espinal,

Appellant,

v.

State of Alaska,

Appellee.

Trial Court Case No. 3AN-15-04774CI

Court of Appeals No. A-14074

Order

Withdrawal of Alaska Public Defender Agency

Date of Order: 2/13/2023

Today, 2/13/2023, the Alaska Public Defender Agency filed a motion to permit withdrawal and for appointment of conflict-free counsel on the grounds that it has a disqualifying conflict of interest. When the Public Defender Agency is unable to represent an appellant because of a conflict of interest, representing the appellant becomes the responsibility of the Office of Public Advocacy.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. The motion to permit the Public Defender Agency to withdraw from this appeal is **GRANTED**.
- 2. The Office of Public Advocacy is appointed to represent Mr. Espinal in this appeal. That office shall assign an attorney to represent Mr. Espinal and shall direct that attorney to promptly file an entry of appearance.
- 3. Mr. Espinal's new attorney at the Office of Public Advocacy may move to amend the statement of points on appeal and the designation of transcript, if necessary.
- 4. The Appellate Clerk's Office will provide the Office of Public Advocacy with a copy of this order and the pleadings filed to date.

Entered under the authority of Chief Judge Allard.

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Clerk of the Appellate Courts

Ryan Montgomery-Sythe, Chief Deputy Clerk

Cc: Office of Public Advocacy

Airjetis Espinal at Spring Creek Correctional Center

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